

SUNDAY, 11TH OCTOBER 2026
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Parish of The Holy Spirit and St. Francis

St Mary's

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sacred Heart

Thank You - Celebrating 800 Years of St Francis

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make our celebration of the 800th anniversary of St Francis such a wonderful occasion! Specially to Peta & Margaret.

We are especially grateful to the school staff for setting up the hall at the end of a busy term, and to Cathy Ferrari, Sacred Heart School Principia & Karen Mathisson, Sacred Heart School Secretary, for their help with all the details before and after the event.

A special thank you to Angelina for her amazing cake, which certainly added a real WOW factor! Thank you also to everyone who helped with set-up, serving and clean-up, and generously contributed food. Thank you to all those who shared their photos.

It was lovely to see residents from Fernhill Mercy Care and some children joining in the festivities. A wonderful team effort!

Leftover plates and other items are available for collection from Sacred Heart Church for the next couple of weeks before being taken to the other churches.

Thank you all for making this celebration so special!



Have a great week
Fr Martin and
Sir Richard.

WE PRAY FOR...

ILLNESS:

Rosa Nistico, Elizabeth Kiernikowski, Maria Reilly, Nancy Camera, Lucy Finnegan, Ebony McDonald, Teresa Stynes, Oliver & James Mendis, Mary Ryan, Sunny & Hunter Drew, Joseph Galekovic, Clive O'Connor, Rita Spinella, Kerstin Thomas, Marie Northey, Shane Cowie, Anna Slawek, Melita Lambiris, Malcom Keys, Carmel Finley, M.S., Barry Martin, Vera Molloy, Claire Lawrence, Tom Fischer, Joan Tranter, Stella Noal, Peter Teasdale, Paul Kennedy, Vlad, Antonio Salas, Prue Turner, Anna, Colin Lewin, Peter Robertson

ANNIVERSARIES:

Pat Watson, Loyce Leeden, Tim McCarthy, Catherine Walsh, Agnes Dalton, Viola McColl, Phyllis Norton, Peter O'Connor, Sr Rupert, Nora Booker

HOLY COMMUNION

Isabel Luna
Estelle M. Planchot
Harper J. Templeton
Ebony C. Sim
Jeoff Wallace Sunglao
Harry Cairns-Leahy

SACRAMENTS 2026



FIRST RECONCILIATION

TERM 4

Tues 10, 17 & 24 Nov 5:30 pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Semester 1: 2027

CONFIRMATION

Thu 3 Sept to 19 Nov 5 pm

Information & bookings at
sandringham@cam.org.au

VIGIL MASS TIME CHANGE

The Vigil Mass will be celebrated **at 6.00pm from Saturday 10th October**. Please note the new time from this date.

Entrance Antiphon Psalm 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Ps 22. R. v.6

(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. **(R)**

2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing **(R.)**

4. Surely goodness and kindness
shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house
shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding'

Matthew 22:2

Second Reading Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PLEASE TAKE
ME HOME
FOR FURTHER
REFLECTION.



POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

6 pm St Mary's

59 Holyrood St, Hampton

Sunday Morning

9 am Sunday - Sacred Heart

13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham

10:30 am Immaculate Heart

441 Bluff Rd, Hampton East

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Mon 9:15 am Immaculate Heart

Tue 9:15am Sacred Heart

Wed 9:15am Sacred Heart

Thur 9:15am St Mary's

CONFESSION TIMES

Sat. 5:45 pm St Mary's

Sun. 8:45 am Sacred Heart

PRAYER & ADORATION

All are welcome!

Rosary & Prayers

Sun, 10 am Immaculate Heart

Mon, 8:50 & 9:50 am Immaculate
Heart

Tue, 8:45 am Sacred Heart **New
Time!!**

Wed, 8:20 am Sacred Heart

Thu, 8:45 am St Mary's **New
Time!!**

Adoration

Wed, 8:45-9:10am Sacred Heart

EMERGENCIES

For anointing of the sick please
call 7036 9381 and dial 3

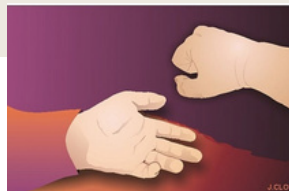
BITE SIZE THOUGHTS BY GREG SUNTER

Have you thought? - Inclusivity

This gospel parable reflects the inclusive way in which Jesus lived his life. In many ways, Jesus was a scandal in his society because he didn't

obey the social boundaries. He was very clear in being inclusive and attentive to those who were normally shunned.

Today, those boundaries are just as clear and easily identified but the methods of excluding people have perhaps become a bit more subtle. Who are the 'shunned' and 'left out' in our society today? Where do the boundaries lie? Who would Jesus be reaching out to and seeking to include in today's society?



SACRED HEART SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP PROJECT: SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE 2026

On behalf of the Group and especially our 5 Scholarship students from Remexio, studying in Dili; we all say a very B I G and heartfelt T H A N K Y O U for your generous support. We hope every winner enjoys their Prize.

We raised approximately \$4,615.00

1st: Lewis Moses, IHOM church - \$800 Westfield voucher.

2nd: Milo Styne, Prep Sacred Heart School- Peter Cartwright Painting

3rd: Judy O'Brien - Painted Fiddle by Bernadette O'Neill

4th: Tiffany Podlana - Yr5 Sacred Heart school - Sir Edmund Hillary Triptych

5th: Fr Martin Tanti - Wildflower Painting by Joan Wiltshire

6th: Ammie Doherty - Handmade Quilt by Margaret Palmer

7th: Bernadette O'Neill- Dominique Portet Rose Wine

SAVE THE DATE – PARISH MINISTRY TRAINING

Fr Martin Tanti will lead training sessions at Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 7.00 pm for the following ministries:

- Parish Readers: Wednesday 28 October at 7.00 pm
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Tue 3 November

All parishioners involved in these ministries are encouraged to attend.

SYNODALITY IS NOT UNIFORMITY

Different cultures, communities, and parishes will live synodality in different ways. Unity does not require sameness.

Community
Cuppa

Sundays After 9:00 am Mass, Sacred Heart.
Sundays After 10:30 am Mass, Immaculate Heart.
Wednesdays After 9:15 am Mass, Sacred Heart.

Monthly Dinner

1st Saturday of the month after 6 pm Mass.
Contact Michele: 0427 508 003.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH COLLECTIONS

Please note that at our Masses there are two collections:

- The First collection is for priest and retired priests
- The Second collection helps support the day-to-day expenses of the parish.

If you would prefer to give by card, tap machines are available in the foyers of the churches.

DIRECT DEBIT

Parish of The Holy Spirit & St Francis

BSB: 083 347

Acc. Num: 646745079

Presbytery Account

BSB: 083 347

Acc. Num: 646741705

ON LINE DONATIONS

at our [website](#) or using your phone to read our QR code



Thank you for your generosity to help us continue our ministry.

Donations to Social Justice Group

Sacred Heart Parish SJG East
Timor Project

BSB: 083347

Acc: 250540755

Return-It Vic!

Return your bottles & cans to donate the refund to our Parish Social Justice Group! Use the CDS Vic East refund points and enter our Parish Partner ID: C2000075764.

Unwanted Foreign Currency

Collection boxes will be in each church foyer and will be collected weekly

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